(c) what remedial action Government proposes to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) No, Sir. The hydro-electric projects allotted by the State of Arunachal Pradesh to Private Sector are still at a very nascent stage and requiring preparation/updation of the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs). After preparation of the DPRs, obtaining concurrence of CEA and financial closures, the developers of these projects would commence construction. Once these projects commence construction, the schedule would be known.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Rural electrification

283. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rural Electrification Programme has been completed in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, as on date, State-wise;

(c) the names of the States which received first position in implementing the said programme;

(d) whether any guidelines have been issued to State Governments which are running behind the schedule fixed for the purpose/completion of the Rural Electrification Programme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) Rural Electrification is a continuing process. Presently RGGVY; an ambitious programme of Government of India is being implemented in the country for providing access of electricity to all rural households.

(b) State-wise and year-wise number of villages wherein rural electrification works have been carried out under RGGVY till 1.10.2008 are given at Statement-I (*See* below)

(c) RGGVY is being implemented in all the 27 States. The details of physical progress reported by various States under RGGVY are given at Statement-I and State-wise and year-wise amount availed by various States under RGGVY is given at Statement-II respectively. (*See* below)

(d) and (e) Ministry of Power and Rural Electrification Corporation have been regularly impressing upon all the States, through review meetings and written communications from Ministry of Power addressed at various levels including Chief Ministers, Chief Secretaries, Chairmen/MDs of Central Public Sector Undertakings and State Power Utilities etc. for expeditious implementation of RGGVY projects to ensure completion of the sanctioned targets within the stipulated time schedule.

As a result of constant persuasion, follow up both by MOP and REC, the implementing agencies have reported that electrification works have been carried out in 50940 un-electrified villages and 61375 electrified villages under RGGVY as on 1.10.2008. The implementing agencies have reported release of over 42.6 lakh rural household connections including 35.43 lakh BPL connections under RGGVY as on 1.10.2008. The implementing States so far have availed an amount of Rs.9849.15 crore as on 1.10.2008. State-wise and year-wise details are given in Statement I and II respectively.

Statement-I

State-wise no. of villages wherein RE works have reportedly carried out under RGGVY

As on 01.10.2008

S. No.	State	During 2005-06			During 2006-07			During 2006-07			During 2007-08			During 2008-09 Cumulative (up to 01.10.2008)		
		Electri-fied	Un-electrified	Total	Electri-fied	Un-electrified	Total	Electri-fied	Un-electrified	Total	Electri-fied	Un-electrified	Total	Electri-fied	Un-electrified	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1.	Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	5614	0	5614	8729	0	8729	14343	0	14343
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3.	Assam	0	0	0	0	0	0	175	84	259	116	118	234	291	202	493
4.	Bihar	0	1600	1600	0	8415	8415	0	3347	3347	0	394	394	0	13756	13756
5.	Jharkhand	0	0	0	0	0	0	619	1259	1878	846	1417	2263	1465	2676	4141
6.	Goa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7.	Gujarat	0	0	0	625	0	625	622	0	622	8	0	8	1255	0	1255
8.	Haryana	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	15	656	0	656	671	0	671
9.	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	0	45	45	0	45
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	0	0	0	0	0	0	169	0	169	118	0	118	287	0	287
11.	Karnataka	350	47	397	8000	0	8000	9113	0	9113	2389	0	2389	19852	47	19899
12.	Kerala	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
13.	Madhya Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	15	65	1282	6	1288	1332	21	1353
14.	Chhattisgarh	0	0	0	0	0	0	296	0	296	562	0	562	858	0	858
15.	Maharashtra	0	0	0	0	0	0	1080	0	1080	1960	0	1960	3040	0	3040
16.	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	36	49	19	40	59	32	76	108
17.	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	32	69	37	32	69
18.	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19.	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20.	Orissa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	233	258	491	233	258	491
21.	Punjab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22.	Rajasthan	0	230	230	570	765	1335	7849	633	8482	2443	8	2451	10862	1636	12498
23.	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24.	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25.	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26.	Uttar Pradesh	0	7503	7503	0	16620	16620	448	2862	3310	665	414	1079	1006	27416	28422
27.	Uttaranchal	0	87	87	2332	798	3130	2898	341	3239	429	98	527	5659	1324	6983
28.	West Bengal	0	352	352	0	2108	2108	0	724	724	0	329	329	0	3513	3513
29.	Delhi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Grand Total	350	9819	10169	11527	28706	40233	28961	9301	38262	20537	3114	23651	61375	50940	112315

Statement-II

State-wise and Year-wise amount Disbursed under RGGVY

As on 01.10.2008

Sl. No.	State	Amount Disbursed under RGGVY					Total (Rs. in crores)
		During 2004-05	During 2005-06	During 2006-07	During 2007-08	During 2008-09	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pradesh	0.00	9.12	94.35	265.44	24.64	393.55
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.00	2.25	0.00	179.84	0.00	182.09
3.	Assam	0.00	1.80	39.23	64.99	27.58	133.60
4.	Bihar	200.24	185.00	470.14	747.03	16.73	1619.14
5.	Chhattisgarh	0.00	16.94	36.27	47.44	71.68	172.33
6.	Gujarat	0.00	0.23	13.36	17.83	16.08	47.60
7.	Haryana	0.00	0.74	12.33	24.66	0.00	37.73
8.	Himachal Pradesh	0.00	0.18	7.48		0.00	7.66
9.	Jharkhand	0.00	4.94	285.24	598.96	200.48	1089.62
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	0.00	0.00	19.59	29.81	19.59	68.99
11.	Karnataka	0.00	72.59	87.36	324.91	0.00	484.86
12.	Kerala	0.00	15	5.12		0.84	20.96
13.	Madhya Pradesh	0.00	2.02	104.66	156.19	0.00	262.87
14.	Maharashtra	0.00	0.4	10.02	16.61	46.92	73.95
15.	Manipur	0.00	0.00	13.53	5.05	13.53	32.11
16.	Meghalaya	0.00	0.00	0.00	19.93	9.59	29.52
17.	Mizoram	0.00	0.64	0.00	0.00	78.75	79.39
18.	Nagaland	0.00	0.27	4.23	5.57	0.00	10.07
19.	Orissa	0.00	3.50	62.40	177.19	396.82	639.91
20.	Punjab	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00
21.	Rajasthan	9.33	47.21	87.19	180.56	104.90	429.19
22.	Tripura	0.00	1.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.08
23.	Tamil Nadu	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.77	0.00	100.77

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
24.	Uttar Pradesh	639.96	172.64	1543.82	563.84	0.00	2920.26
25.	Uttarakhand	0.00	63.04	278.28	133.04	30.64	505.00
26.	West Bengal	114.49	0.93	204.76	81.10	102.72	504.00
27.	Agency Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total	964.02	603.52	3379.37	3740.86	1161.49	9849.15

Grant-in-aid for power distribution in rural areas

284. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to give grant to power distribution companies for distributing power in remote villages in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) whether the private distribution companies engaged in power distribution are also eligible for this grant-in-aid?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (c) Execution of Rural Electrification works including village electrification and release of rural household connections is the responsibility of state governments and concerned state power utilities. With a view to expedite rural electrification, which is a continuous process, the Government of India from time to time has been launching various schemes. Presently, Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY) an ambitious programme of Government of India is under implementation in the country. RGGVY has envisaged electrification of about 1.15 lakh villages as well as providing electricity connections to 2.34 crore Below Poverty Line (BPL) households in the country by 2009. State-wise projects sanctioned and funds disbursed under RGGVY are given at Statement-I and II respectively. (*See* below)

In case of remote villages, it is proposed to utilize Decentralized Distribution-cum-Generation (DDG) from conventional or renewable or non-conventional sources such as biomass, bio fuel, bio gas, mini hydro, geo thermal and solar etc. where grid connectivity is either not feasible or not cost effective. The funding will be on the pattern of RGGVY that is upto 90% subsidy from Government of India and 10% loan from Rural Electrification Corporation or from own funds of the state/loan from financial institutions. The provision for subsidy requirement for DDG is Rs.540 crore. The Ministry is in the process of finalizing guidelines for DDG Scheme.

Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana scheme gives grant to the state governments.